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# Center for Crime Victim Services Board Meeting Minutes March 20, 2023

**Board Members Present:** Bob Paolini, Susie Carr, Richard Katzman.

**Absent:** Susan Ide, Alycia Post. **Staff Members Present**: Jennifer Poehlmann, Carol Morgan, Jodie Bacon, Abby Gladstone-Strobel, Maria Gibbs, Michelle Pelletier, Carol Brochu, Melinda Meyer.

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 PM.

#### REVIEW MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of February 13, 2023, and unanimously approved them as presented.

#### COMPENSATION PROGRAM REPORT

Abby Gladstone-Strobel presented Compensation reports for February 2023. A total of 28 regular claims were received this February, compared to 24 the previous February. A total of 13 sexual assault (SA) claims were received, compared to 16 the previous February. Year-to-date, regular claims had increased 11.83% compared to the same period in the previous fiscal year, while year-to-date SA claims had decreased by 15.69%.

The Compensation Report was accepted as presented.

### RESTITUTION UNIT REPORT

Michelle Pelletier presented the Restitution Unit (RU) report for February 2023. This February, the RU's Case Managers brought in \$55K and another \$67K came in via tax offsets. A total of 80 Restitution Judgement Orders (RJOs) were received from around the state, with the largest amount (18) coming from Lamoille County, followed by Bennington County (15). Michelle noted that the number of RJOs received in February was similar to the number in January, which was a positive trend as court processes return to pre-pandemic levels. The Restitution Report was accepted as presented.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Carol Brochu presented the Financial Report through February 2023. CCVS continued to use much of its FY23 one-time General Fund appropriation to cover expenses for the Compensation Program, thus preserving the other funds normally used for that. The Financial Report was accepted as presented.

## **CENTER UPDATE**

Jennifer Poehlmann updated the Board on legislative issues that CCVS was involved with.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to adjourn. Adjourned at 2:46 PM.

**Next VCCVS Board Meeting Date:** 

Monday, April 17, 2023 1:30 PM

In the conference room at 60 South Main Street, Waterbury.